

27 December 1960

MEMORANDUM FOR: Chairman, Scientific Intelligence Committee

SUBJECT: Scientific Intelligence Coverage for NIS Areas

REFERENCE: Your 20 October 1960 memorandum,  
same subject

1. The NIS Committee has considered and concurs in the SIC recommendation in paragraph 2. a. in the referenced memorandum, i. e., both Chapter VII and Section 17 coverage for each of the 18 NIS Areas listed.

2. In the Committee's views with respect to paragraph 2. b. of the referenced memorandum, a major consideration was understanding that SIC capability was generally limited to producing three Chapters VII per year and Sections 17 in accordance with approved Chapter I scheduling. If this continued to be the situation and since full use of this level of effort would be required for maintenance on the 18 primary scientific areas, the Committee considered that this capability should not be diverted to Chapter VII production on the 7 areas listed in 2. b.

3. On this basis the NIS Committee approved the recommendation in paragraph 2. b. subject to the following stipulations:

a. The SIC to review the areas listed in paragraph 2. b. to ensure that they conform to the NIS criterion of scientific significance.

b. These considerations to be re-examined annually when the SIC forwards for NIS Committee approval successive three-year forecasts.

c. The SIC to notify the NIS Committee when existing Chapters VII on areas that do not further require NIS coverage are no longer valid, so that destruction notices may be issued.

  
Chairman, NIS Committee

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